

**From:** Mac User  
**To:** Microsoft ATR  
**Date:** 1/25/02 9:04pm  
**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

To Whom It May Concern,

I am strongly opposed to the settlement offered in the Microsoft antitrust trial. Microsoft has repeatedly used anti-competitive practices to undermine other companies to maintain their monopoly. They also continually use their monopoly power to leverage other markets. This has severely hampered innovation in the computer industry. The penalty for their actions must allow for the re-introduction of true competition into the marketplace. The settlement does absolutely nothing to address these serious issues. Indeed, only a true break-up of the company along with opening up of the source code and data file formats can help. Further a ban is required on their ability to contract with computer manufacturers which prevent them from selling competing software.

As a developer in the computer industry, I personally feel the negative effects of the Microsoft monopoly every day. Something better needs to be done to rectify the situation, and Microsoft will never willingly agree to what is needed. I implore you do the right thing and forget about settlement and enact a fitting penalty that will be effective.

Do not forget that they willfully fabricated false testimony in the original case. How can they be trusted to develop a fair settlement?

Sincerely,  
Frank Schima  
Gaithersburg, MD USA

=====

Frank Schima <mailto:macsforever2000@yahoo.com>  
Yahoo Messenger Chat <macsforever2000>  
INADEV Consulting Inc. <http://www.inadev.com/>  
Columbia, MD USA <http://columbiamaryland.com/>

---

Do You Yahoo!?  
Great stuff seeking new owners in Yahoo! Auctions!  
<http://auctions.yahoo.com>